GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5384
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GALLANTARY AWARD
Chaure Shri Bapu Hari

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representations from All India President`s Distinguished and Meritorious Police Medal Awardees Welfare Association to make other award to recipients at par with recipients of the President`s Police Medals for gallantry; and

(b) if so, the details and action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): The All India President Distinguished and Meritorious Police Medal Awardees Welfare Association have sought parity in facility available to the Gallantry medal awardees. However, the Service Medals and Gallantry Medals are two different categories of award and are given for different purposes. Gallantry Medal is awarded for an act of conspicuous gallantry whereas Service Medal is awarded for distinguished/valuable service. The monetary allowance available to the gallantry medal awardees are governed by the provisions of the Rules governing award of the medal. Under these rules there is no provisions for monetary allowance to Service medal awardees. Some other benefits to the gallantry medal awardees have also been extended by State Governments etc.